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Sir:

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US PATENTS

Makins (US 4,776,044) shows a winter hat 10 with earphones 54, 56 in earflap pockets 44.

Sheppard (US 5,881,160) shows a cap 20 with an audio device 40 in the cap crown and speakers 42.

Boyden et al. (US 6,301,367) shows a cap 271 (FIGS. 23-26) with earpieces 272 attached with clips 274. An electronic module 304 is attached to cap 271. Earpieces 272 are not slidably supported for vertical adjustments as in Applicant's invention.

Mo (US 6,305,026) shows a cap 11 having pivotally supported earpieces 16, 17 attached. Earpieces 16, 17 are not slidably supported for vertical adjustments as in Applicant's invention.

FOREIGN PATENTS

Jackson (WO 9518490) shows a cap with attached communication components. Included is a boom mounted microphone 50, visor mounted cardioid microphone 54, earpieces 62, an antenna 114, and a battery 94. The microphone boom 50 has a pivotal mounting 52 inside the cap crown which would come in direct contact with the user's temple; thus being a comfort problem for the user. As mounted, the boom would be largely exposed, rather than hidden, when in the retracted position. A keypad 116 is to be worn on the user's wrist, thus requiring the user to wear two items rather than one to make calls. The antenna 114 is fully exposed rather than hidden.

Bellot (ES 2118045) shows a cap 1 with earpieces 2 and indicates a radio 5.

Ueda (JP 10164202) shows a cap with attached telephone components that include a pivotally supported microphone arm 1, earphone 2, and a film-shaped antenna 6. The Ueda device lacks a stiff arched rib to provide structural support as in Applicant's invention. The Ueda film-shaped antenna 6, by its definition, is not a stiff rib and cannot provide the structural support of a stiff rib that is needed to support telephone components in a soft cap crown.

Very respectfully,



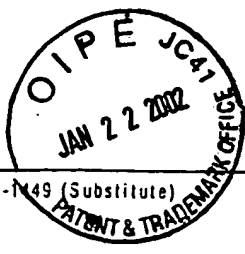
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